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Invention: ARTIFICIAL INTERVERTEBRAL DISC HAVING A CIRCUMFERENTIALLY BURIED WIRE MESHENDPLATE ATTACHMENT DEVICE

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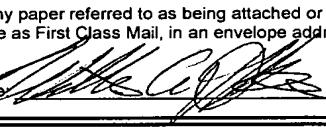
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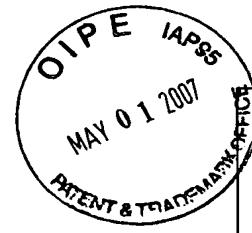
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 1, 2006, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.